

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (with strikethrough indicating deletions and underlining indicating additions to the amended claims):

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1. (Cancelled)
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 7. (Cancelled)
 8. (Currently Amended) A safe container, comprising:
a semi-permeable container having a polymeric external surface; and
a metallic layer bonded, without adhesive, to the external surface by heating the metallic layer to a temperature where an adjacent portion of the external surface is melted so that the metallic layer is thereby fused to the external surface upon cooling below the temperature.
 9. (Original) The safe container of claim 8, further comprising a printed layer coupled onto the metallic layer.
 10. (Original) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the metallic layer includes metallized polyester.

11. (Cancelled)

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22. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

obtaining a semi-permeable container having an external surface and having a metallic layer bonded directly, without adhesive, to the external surface by heating the metallic layer to a temperature where an adjacent portion of the external surface is melted so that the metallic layer is thereby fused to the external surface upon cooling below the temperature; and
coupling a printed layer to the metallic layer.

23. (Previously Added) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes an pharmaceutical bottle.

24. (Previously Added) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes an IV bag.

25. (Previously Added) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes a plastic-wrapped food package.

Please add the following new claims.

26. (New) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the temperature at which the metallic layer is heated is between about 80 degrees Fahrenheit and about 150 degrees Fahrenheit.

27. (New) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the temperature at which the metallic layer is heated is about 105 degrees Fahrenheit.

28. (New) The safe container of claim 8, wherein the cooling below the temperature is achieved by dipping the semi-permeable container and metallic layer in a liquid.

29. (New) A method for forming a safe container, comprising:
applying a bonding agent between a printed layer and a metallic layer;
positioning the metallic layer against an external surface of a semi-permeable container so that an outer face of the printed layer faces away from the external surface of the semi-permeable container; and
applying heat of a temperature sufficient to melt the bonding agent and a portion of the external surface of the semi-permeable container adjacent the metallic layer to thereby couple the printer layer and the metallic layer with the bonding agent and fuse the metallic layer to the adjacent portion of the external surface upon cooling below the temperature.